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Roger E. Johnson, Manager
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1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

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| DOCKET 07-AFC-5 |
| DATE <u>SEP 27 2007</u> |
| RECD. <u>OCT 02 2007</u> |

Re: Notice of Receipt of an Application for Certification for the Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System Project (07-AFC-5)

Dear Mr. Johnson:

I represent The Ponderosa Water Company ["Ponderosa"]. I have been forwarded a copy of the above referenced Notice which was sent to various interested parties. As I am sure you are well aware, Ponderosa has title ownership to *inter alia* the water rights under 32¼ sections of Township 16N., Range 14E., which is prominently referenced in your notice as being used for the above referenced Solar Electric Generating System. More specifically, such notice proposes to use the very water owned by Ponderosa for this project.

While Ponderosa is not inherently adverse to this project going forward, it is opposed to the uncompensated taking of its very substantial and valuable water resources. Please direct the applicants—Solar Partners I, LLC, Solar Partners II, LLC, Solar Partners IV, LLC, and Solar Partners VIII, LLC—to contact my client immediately to discuss their proposed compensation regarding the use of water belonging to Ponderosa. They can contact Ponderosa's president, Mr. Frederick J. Scheffler, directly at (206) 842-2100.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, you can contact either Mr. Scheffler at the number above or the undersigned at (832) 243-9733.

Sincerely,



Dr. Gary L. Leonard, Esq.
For the Firm

cc: regular mail, file, Mr. Frederick J. Scheffler